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**U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE HELPS
CHILDREN LEARN APPRECIATION FOR MUSIC**

When:

4:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 23, 2002

Where:

Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center
Tampa, Florida

Who:

300 Children and mentors from Weed and Seed sites throughout the Middle District of Florida, along with children from the Drug Education for Youth (DEFY) program, will see and hear the Tampa Bay Youth Orchestra perform. The Tampa Bay Youth Orchestra and Junior Symphony unite a musical retrospective of Leonard Bernstein, using the format of his own Young People's Concerts, which was an opportunity for children to learn more about classical music in a professional environment. This performance will also acquaint the audience with Bernstein's artistic influences.

What:

The United States Attorney's Office is partnering with "Overtures" to bring the joy of music to young people and teach them how music can enrich their lives in many ways. "Overtures" has invited children from a variety of community programs to attend this special performance. After the performance there will be a question and answer period with the young musicians. Those children who show an interest and are awakened to the joy of music will be given direction in how they can contact foundations and schools who may be able to provide instruments and lessons.

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"Overtures"

Tickets are \$7 and available at the Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center Ticket Office at (813) 229-STAR or 1-800-995-1045